(xv) Mounting of a Tableau on Dr. Ambedkar in Republic Day Parade, 1992.

(xvi) Exhibition-cum-Mela on Dr. Ambedkar during the month of January, 1992.

(xvii) Function on 36th "Mahaparinirvan Diwas" on 6th December, 1991.

[*Translation*]

Baba Saheb Bhimrao Ambedkar Centenary Celebrations

3314. SHRI BHAGWAN SHANKAR RAWAT : Will the MINISTER OF WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have decided to develop the thickly populated villages of Scheduled Castes in Uttar Pradesh and to rename these villages as 'Ambedkar Gram' under Baba Saheb Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar Centenary Celebrations;

(b) if so, the number of villages of scheduled castes developed so far in Uttar Pradesh and the number of villages proposed to be developed in future ; and

(c) the amount spent on the development and the amount likely to be spent thereon ?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI) : (a) According to the Action Plan for the Centenary Celebrations of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar, the Uttar Pradesh Government proposed to select 10,000 villages having concentration of Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes population, for overall development and name them 'Ambedkar Gram'.

(b) and (c) Details from the Uttar Pradesh Government have not been received.

[*English*]

Cement Factory in Himachal Pradesh

3315. SHRI BHAWANI SHANKAR RAWAT :

SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN :

SHRI RAMESH CHAND TOMAR :

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Union Government are aware that a cement factory is proposed to be set up in the area of bird sanctuary in the Himachal Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Union Government to protect the Bird sanctuary ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH) : (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the House.

[*Translation*]

Financial Assistance to Agra University

3316. SHRI BHAGWAN SHANKAR RAWAT : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether some proposals pertaining to Agra University and its affiliated colleges seeking financial assistance are under consideration of the University Grants Commission for the last three years and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether a proposal to start 'Dori Lal Agarwal Patarkar Sansthan' is also pending for approval with the Commision;

(c) the action taken on the pending proposals;

(d) the reasons for not according approval thereto; and

(e) the time by which the approval is likely to be accorded ?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH) : (a) According to the information furnished by UGC, the Commission provided grants amounting to Rs. 98.94 lakhs to Agra University for the period 1988-89 to 1990-91 and grants worth Rs. 230.38 lakhs to its affiliated Colleges for the period 1987-88 to 1989-90. No proposal of Agra University or any of its affiliated eligible colleges for development grants is at present pending with the Commission.

(b) According to the information furnished by UGC, the Commission has not received such proposal from Agra University.

(c) to (e) Do not arise.

Slum Population

3317. SHRI DEVENDRA PRASAD YADAV :

SHRI TEJ NARAYAN SINGH :

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether there has been an increase in the slum population in Bombay, Delhi, Calcutta and Madras during the last three years;

(b) if so, the details of slum population at present in the above cities, citywise;

(c) the reasons for increase in slum population; and

(d) the measures being taken by the Government to check the expansion of slums ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) to (d) There has been increase in the slum population in the recent past. Year-wise increase in slum population in Bombay, Delhi, Calcutta & Madras is not available. An idea about the quantum of increase, however, can be obtained by comparing the estimated slum population in 1990 to the identified slum population of 1981 as shown in the attached Statement. The increase in slum population is part of the overall increase in Urban population.

STATEMENT

(figures in lakhs)

Sl. No.	Name of the Metropolitan city	Identified slum population of the Metropolitan City (1981)	Estimated slum population in 1990 in the Metropolitan City
1	Greater Bombay	28.31	14.26
2	Delhi	18.00	32.08
3	Calcutta	30.28	43.86
4	Madras	13.63	21.08